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## IN THE CLAIMS

The following is a listing of the claims in the application with claims 1-3 shown as cancelled, claim 4 shown as amended, claims 5-8 shown as withdrawn and claim 10 shown as previously added.

## LISTING OF CLAIMS

- 1-3. (Cancelled).
- The compound of claim 10, which is selected from 4. (Currently Amended) the group consisting of:
  - 4 hydroxy-6 methoxy-1,3-dipheny1-1H-indene-2-carboxylic-acid cthyl ester.
  - 1-hydroxy 6 methoxy 1 (3 methoxy pheny1) 3-pheny1-1H-indene-2carboxylic acid ethyl ester,
  - 1-hydroxy 1-isopropyl 6 methoxy 3 phenyl 1H-indene 2 carboxylic acid ethyl ester.
  - 4-hydroxy-6-methoxy-1-methyl-3-phenyl-1H-indene 2-carboxylic acid ethyl-ester,
  - 1 benzyl 1-hydroxy 6 methoxy 3 phenyl 1H indene 2 carboxylic acid ethyl-ester,
  - 4-cyclohexyl 1 hydroxy 6 methoxy 3-phenyl-1H-indene-2-carboxylic-acid ethyl-ester,
  - 1-hydroxy-1,3-dipheny1-6-(3-phenyl-propoxy)-1H-indono-2-carboxylic acid ethyl ester.
  - 4-hydroxy 6 (2-morpholine 4-yl-ethoxy) 1,3-diphenyl-1H-indene 2carboxylic-acid ethyl-ester,
  - 1 hydroxy-6-marpholino 4-yl methyl 1,3-diphenyl 1H-indene-2carboxylic acid ethyl-ester,

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- 1 hydroxy-1,3 dipheny1-6-(2 pyridine 2-yl ethexy)-1H indene-2earboxylic-acid-ethyl-ester,
  - 1-hydroxy-1,3-dipheny1-6 (3-phenyl-propoxy)-1H-indene-2-Carbonitrile,
- 1 hydroxy 1,3 dipheny1-6 (3 phenyl propoxy) 1H-indene-2 carboxylic acid methyl ester,
  - 1 hydroxy 6 methoxy 1,3 dipheny1-1H indene 2 carboxylic acid,
  - 1 hydroxy 6 methoxy-1-methy1-3 pheny1-1H-indene-2-carboxylic acid,
  - 1-benzy1-1-hydroxy 6 methoxy-3 phony1-1H-indene 2 carboxylic acid-
- 1-hvdroxy-1,3-dipheny1-6-(3-pheny1-propoxy) 1H-indene-carboxylic acid.
- 1-cyclohexyl-1-hydroxy-6-methoxy-3 pheny1-1H-indene-2-carboxylic acid.
  - 1,6 dimethoxy 3 pheny1-1H-indene 2 carboxylic acid-ethyl-ester.
  - 4 cthoxy-6 mothoxy-3 pheny1-1H indene 2 carboxylic acid cthyl ester.
  - 1-amino-6-methoxy-3-pheny1-1H-indene-2-carboxylic-acid ethyl ester,
- 1-amino 3-pheny1-6 (3-phenyl-propexy)-1H-indene-2-carboxylic acid ethyl ester.
- 1 amino 6 (2 morpholin 4 yl othoxy) 3 phonyl 1H indene 2 carboxylic acid-cyclohexyl-amide,
  - 1 amino 3 pheny1 6 (3 phenyl propoxy) 1H indene 2 carbonitrile,
- -1-acetylamino-6-methoxy-3-phenyl-1H indene-2 carboxylic-acid-ethyl ester,
- 6 methoxy 3 phonyl 1 propionylamino 1H-indene 2 carboxylic acid ethyl ester.
- 1-acetylamino 3 phenyl 6 (3 phenyl propoxy) 1H indeno 2 carboxylic acid ethyl ester,
- 1 acetylamino 6 (2 morpholin 4 yl-ethoxy) 3-phenyl- 1H-indene 2carboxylic acid cyclohexyl amide,
- 1 diethylamino 6 methoxy 3 phonyl-1H-indene 2 carboxylic acid ethyl ester,

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1-ethylamine-6-methoxy-3-phenyl-1H-indene-2-carboxylic acid-ethyl-ester.

6 methoxy 1 morpholin 4 y1-3 pheny1-1H-indene 2 carboxylic acid ethyl ester.

1-benzyl amino 6-methoxy-3-phenyl-1H-indeno-2-carboxylic-acid ethyl ester, and

1 cyclohexyl amino 6 methoxy 3 pheny1 1H indeno 2 carboxylic acid ethyl ester.

5. (Previously Withdrawn) A process for preparing a compound of formula (I-a) which comprises reacting a compound of formula (II) with a Grignard reagent:

wherein  $R_{1a}$  is OH;  $R_{1b}$  is alkyl, phenyl or benzyl; and  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$ ,  $R_5$ ,  $R_6$  and  $R_7$  have the same meaning as defined in claim 1.

6. (Previously Withdrawn) A process for preparing a compound of formula (I-e) which comprises reacting a compound of formula (II) with hydroxyl amine to obtain a compound of formula (III), and hydrogenation of the compound of formula (III) followed by reacting with acetyl chloride or an anhydrous acetic acid:

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wherein  $R_{18}$  is H;  $R_{1b}$  is NH<sub>2</sub> or NHCOR<sup>a</sup>; and  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$ ,  $R_5$ ,  $R_6$  and  $R_7$  have the same meaning as defined in claim 1.

7. (Previously Withdrawn) A process for preparing a compound of formula (I-d) which comprises halogenation of a compound of formula (VIII) to obtain a compound of formula (IV), and reacting the compound of formula (IV) with an amine or alcohol compound;

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wherein  $R_{1a}$  is H;  $R_{1b}$  is  $OR^a$ ,  $NR^bR^c$  or  $N \bigcirc R^d$ ; X is halogen; and  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$ ,  $R_5$ ,  $R_6$  and  $R_7$  have the same meaning as defined in claim 1.

- 8. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition for modulating the activities of peroxisome proliferator activated receptors (PPARs) comprising a therapeutically effective amount of the compound or a salt defined in claim 4 10 as an active ingredient together with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 9. (Original) The composition of claim 8, which is used for the treatment and prevention of diabetes, obesity, arteriosclerosis, hyperlipidemia, hyperinsulinism, hypertension, osteoporosis, liver cirrhosis, asthma and cancer.
- 10. (Previously Added) An indene derivative of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof:

$$R_1$$
 $R_2$ 
 $R_3$ 

wherein.

 $R_1$  is  $-OCH_3$ ,  $-OC_2H_5$ ,  $-NH_2$ ,  $-NHCOCH_3$ ,  $-NHCOC_2H_5$ ,  $-N(C_2H_5)_2$ ,  $-NHC_2H_5$ ,

R<sub>2</sub> is CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>3</sup>, CONHR<sup>b</sup> or CN;

R<sub>3</sub> is phenyl; and

Ra is H, methyl or ethyl;

R<sup>b</sup> is cyclohexyl;

R<sup>c</sup> is phenyl; and

$$R^d$$
 is  $-N$